

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended): A system for treating articles, comprising:
  - at least one bath, in which a treatment liquid is situated, into which the articles are to be dipped;
  - a feed device, which is adapted to convey the articles through the system and in the process are dipped into the at least one bath;
  - a dripping zone, which is disposed in the path of motion of the articles and is positioned ~~direction of motion~~ downstream of a last bath;
  - a drier disposed downstream of the dripping zone, and,the feed device comprises at least one feed carriage, which in turn comprises:
  - a running gear movable along the path of motion of the articles having its own drive for driving along the path of motion of the articles ~~particles~~;
  - at least one swivel arm hingedly coupled to the running gear;
  - a holding device hingedly coupled to the swivel arm for at least one article; and,
  - mutually independently actuable drives for ~~[[the]]~~ translational movement, ~~[[the]]~~ swivelling motion of the at least one swivel arm and of the holding device;wherein the at least one feed carriage simultaneously serves as a ~~a~~ ~~[[the]]~~ tilting apparatus in the dripping zone, wherein the articles may be tilted into an angular position related to the horizontal that is suitable for dripping-off and wherein the at least one feed carriage is movable over the dripping zone to a point in the vicinity of the drier.
2. (original): The system of claim 1, wherein the at least one feed carriage is controllable in such a way that its holding device within the dripping zone is brought into at least two positions, in which it is tilted differently relative to the horizontal.